



THE CIRTL NETWORK

CENTER FOR THE INTEGRATION OF RESEARCH, TEACHING, & LEARNING

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To Whom It May Concern:

The Center for the Integration of Research Teaching and Learning (CIRTL) (www.cirtl.net) offers Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) targeted primarily at graduate students and post-docs across the U.S. who are interested in advancing their teaching and learning. Our CIRTL MOOCs are taught by university and college faculty, staff and administrators across STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) disciplines who share the goal of enhancing undergraduate STEM education through the preparation of future faculty members who will become both excellent researchers and teachers.

Aboo Bakar Sidick fatally completed the CIRTL Network MOOC, *Advancing Learning Through Evidence-Based STEM Teaching*, with distinction, on July 31, 2016 by earning a 75% or higher average grade in the course.

The CIRTL Network MOOCs (content also available at www.stemteachingcourse.org) help prepare future faculty for careers that integrate research, teaching, and learning. Courses are based on three core ideas, teaching-as research, the systematic, and reflective use of research methods to develop successful teaching practices; learning communities, which bring together groups of people for shared learning and generation of knowledge; and learning-through-diversity, the utilization of the rich array of experiences, backgrounds, and skills to enhance the learning of all.

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